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BOSTON COLLEGE'S BOSTON PRIESTS

An account of Boston College Men Who
Became Priests of the Archdiocese of Boston
1877 – 1993



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His Eminence Bernard Cardinal Law
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Prefatory Note

The following pages are about priests of the Boston archdiocese who claimed or claim Boston College as alma mater. It is hoped that focus on this special group of the University's alumni will in no way obscure the happy and productive relations the College has had from the earliest days with Boston priests having no ties to it but those of faith and common goals. The College could not have prospered without the active support of the general body of the clergy, starting with the great shaper of four parishes in Cambridge, Father Manasses Dougherty, who gave both his library and a bequest to the College in its infancy. Many a pastor over the years contributed to the tuition, or even paid the entire tuition, of promising young men. Until the last thirty years, the fund drives of the College were largely parochial, including the \$2 million drive of 1921 and the post-World War II drive of 1947. So, although Boston College is justifiably proud of its priest alumni, it acknowledges an incalculable debt to all the priests of the archdiocese and treasures its longtime affiliation with them.



This paper is about the priests of the Boston archdiocese who received degrees from Boston College or attended Boston College and entered the seminary before graduating. Though this noble army of men of God, dating from the 1880s to the present, contains cardinals, archbishops and bishops, distinguished pastors, scholars, and seminary professors, from the Boston College *historian's* perspective the outstanding priest-alumnus was a member of the tiny first graduating class of 1877. He is Rev. Patrick H. Callanan, and he claims pride of place among alma mater's priests because he was Boston College's first historian! Twenty years after graduation, from 1896 to 1899, he published a series of reminiscences—mostly his own, but also some he collected from fellow alumni—concerning the early years of the College, from about 1870 on. These reminiscences were published in twenty articles in the student paper, *The Stylus*. The articles included 268 pages of text and, remarkably, 281 photos and tintypes. Callanan was a modern historian, emphasizing illustration.

Boston College's first historian, who will get more space in this paper than can be given to other priest-alumni, entered the College in October 1870. He was interviewed and assigned to class by Father Robert Fulton, who had become president in August of that year but retained the duties of dean that he had performed since the College had opened in 1864.

During his seven years at Boston College, Callanan achieved academic honors and was a leader of student activities. For three years in a row he won top honors in classics and French. He received second honors in poetry and the medal in mathematics in his sixth year and second honors in philosophy and the physics medal in his last year. In competitive efforts he won a \$25 prize (tuition was \$60 a year) for best English composition, a \$25 prize for reading, a \$30 prize for the best thesis in Christian doctrine, and the prize for the best centennial ode in 1876, celebrating the nation's first century. Active in debate, Callanan was an officer of the debating society for three years and was prefect of the Sodality of Our Lady twice. One of Father Fulton's pet projects was the Foster Cadets, to which all students had to belong, and Callanan was the dominant figure in the student militia in his day, rising from corporal in his first year to captain and finally to the top rank of major from 1873 to 1876.



Reverend Patrick H. Callanan

Father Callanan devoted three of his 20 “Reminiscences” to the Foster Cadets. As military leader, he naturally remembered the cadet experience much more fondly than did many of his contemporaries; the latter chafed at the cost of the uniform, which was almost as much as the tuition.

If the militia loomed large in Callanan’s student life, music loomed even larger. Six installments of his reminiscences are devoted to music. But for Callanan’s writings we would have no idea of how prominent music was in the life of the fledgling college. The major musical organization was the St. Cecilia Society, which was given this description in the College catalogue in Callanan’s time: “Supplies the music at daily mass, and gives its aid, when needed, at celebrations either of the College or of the Church of the Immaculate Conception.” Callanan reproduced the programs of several of the non-liturgical presentations of the St. Cecilia Society that included music of Handel, Von Weber, Mozart, Verdi, Rossini, Gounod, and Schubert. Callanan corresponded with several Boston College students who entered the Society of Jesus before graduating, and the young Jesuits’ letters show lively interest in the ongoing musical activity of the College. But for Callanan’s reminiscences we also would not know of a second musical organization, the Glycophonic Glee Club, founded by a Jesuit scholastic, Mr. Jerome Daugherty, in 1871. The name reflected the penchant in American colleges of the 19th century for giving student organizations Greek names. In this case, the glee club’s Greek-derived name meant “sweet-sounding.”

After graduating in 1877, Patrick Callanan entered St. Joseph’s Seminary in Troy, New York, where he was ordained in 1880. He noted with pride in his *Stylus* reminiscence that he was the first alumnus to be named a pastor. He was the first pastor of the Church of St. John’s in Wellesley, appointed in 1890.

Boston College honored Father Callanan twice. In 1906 he delivered the baccalaureate address and in 1927, the year the first graduates reached their golden jubilee, Father Callanan was most deservedly awarded an honorary doctorate.

Father Callanan proudly documented the number of Boston College graduates entering the priesthood from each succeeding class. Of course, he included those entering religious congregations as well as those becoming diocesan clergy in other parts of the country. For purposes of this paper, the number becoming priests for the Boston archdiocese and the number of graduates each year are given: 1877, 7 of 10; 1878, 5 of 10; 1879, 9 of 13; 1880, 12 of 17; 1881, 9 of 16; 1882, 8 of 18; 1883, 6 of 13; 1884, 6 of 15; 1885, 13 of 19; 1886, 1 of 9; 1887, 9 of 16; 1888, 4 of 14; 1889, 13 of 19; 1890, 7 of 15.

Another dramatic view of the number of Boston College men who went on to serve the Boston archdiocese as priests can be gleaned from the 1907 College catalogue, which listed graduates and their occupations and addresses. By that year, 587 men had graduated, of whom 243 (or 41 % percent) were

either Boston priests or seminarians preparing for service in the archdiocese.

The third volume of *History of the Archdiocese of Boston*, published in 1945, covers the years 1866 to 1943.¹ That period, starting in the days of Boston College's infancy, was marked by explosive growth of the Catholic population. The church historians fill their pages with accounts of the openings of new parishes and the construction of new churches throughout the archdiocese. Of the priests named as starting new parishes, we identify 42 as sons of Boston College. Among the church builders named, 47 were Boston College men, and their edifices include landmark structures such as the Church of the Sacred Heart in Roslindale, St. Mary's in Charlestown, and Blessed Sacrament in Walpole. Eighteen of the priests just counted both started a parish and built a church, which means that 71 Boston College priests are cited as pioneers in the expanding decades of the Boston archdiocese.

A history of the archdiocesan seminary, St. John's was published in 1945. In an appendix it listed all priests who had attended the seminary since its inception in 1884,² giving the names of 536 priests. When these names were checked against Boston College student rosters in the annual catalogues through the year 1920, it was found that of the 536 St. John's alumni, 219 (or 41 percent) were also alumni of Boston College. In addition, 102 graduates of St. John's had first studied at Boston College and entered the seminary before earning the bachelor's degree. So 321 (or 60 percent) of the Boston priests listed in the 1945 history of St. John's Seminary had attended or graduated from Boston College. Actually, the number of Boston College men who became diocesan priests is slightly larger than the above statistics show because some, like William O'Connell and Michael Splaine, did theological studies in Rome, not at St. John's Seminary.

A more recent study by a current professor at St. John's Seminary, Father Robert E. Sullivan, corroborates the above data and carries them beyond 1920. Father Sullivan writes: "Over 70 percent of those ordained between 1900 and 1944 had been students at Boston College."³

The dry statistics so far presented demonstrate that Boston College was a training ground for St. John's Seminary, almost as if it had been established as such by negotiations between the archbishops of Boston and the Jesuits—negotiations that actually never took place. With the outbreak of World War I, the relationship became formalized. When the United States entered the war,

¹The authors of *History of the Archdiocese of Boston* were Fathers Robert H. Lord, John E. Sexton, and Edward T. Harrington. None of these priests had a Boston College connection.

²*History of St. John's Seminary* by Fathers John E. Sexton and Arthur J. Riley. Father Riley was a Boston College alumnus, class of 1926.

³*Catholic Boston: Studies in Religion and Community, 1870-1970*, Rev. Robert E. Sullivan and James M. O'Toole, editors. Published by the archdiocese in 1985. Father Sullivan's statement is on page 210.

there was concern that the flow of students to the seminary from Boston College would be cut off by conscription. But when Boston College was declared a Petit Seminary for the diocese, the supply of clergymen was assured.⁴

In *Catholic Boston*, Father Robert Sullivan commented on the Boston College–St. John’s Seminary relationship: “Himself an alumnus of Boston College, [Cardinal] O’Connell resourcefully deflected attempts by the Vatican during the early 1930s to disrupt this long-standing symbiotic relationship [with Boston College] by requiring the archdiocese to conform to Latin practice and support a minor seminary that would admit youths immediately after high school. He finally acquiesced in this recommendation in the summer of 1939 as Europe was preparing to go to war once again. Should America become involved, the federal government was unlikely to renew the concession it had granted in the spring of 1917 and declare Boston College a minor seminary whose graduates were exempt from conscription.”⁵

In 1940 St. Clement’s Hall was opened on Foster Street, offering a two-year college level course for high school graduates to prepare them to enter the seminary. This marked the end of the era when a majority of St. John’s seminarians had roots in Boston College, but it by no means ended the entrance of Boston College men into service of the Boston archdiocese as priests. There are currently 288 priests in the Boston archdiocese who attended Boston College. Some of these men were not undergraduates at the College, but claim the university as alma mater through graduate degrees.

As we move from statistics that can be stated in a few sentences to persons who are numbered in the thousands, space limitations permit the celebration—or even the mention of—only a small number of Boston College’s Boston priests. Let us start with our three cardinals, two of whom were archbishops of Boston.

Boston’s first cardinal was Right Rev. Dr. William H. O’Connell, rector of the North American College in Rome when, in 1897, Father Patrick Callanan wrote to him for his reminiscences and a photo for his *Stylus* article. Those who know the many volumes the cardinal later published about his life and work may be surprised at Monsignor O’Connell’s restrained reply to Callanan: “You forget, perhaps, that I entered in ’79 and left in ’81. Not that I have not scores of happy memories of that brief time, among the very happiest days of my whole life. But they are, perhaps, rather more uninteresting from the fact that they are more personal and uneventful. After one has entered Poetry [at that time equivalent to sophomore year], you know one already begins to miss the heyday spirit of the Humanities [equivalent to present junior and senior years of high school and freshman year of college]. I entered Poetry after the middle term examinations, and our class, though not lacking in merriment, had already taken on the serious air of men who have begun to grow mustaches.

⁴*Ibid.*

⁵*Ibid.*



Cardinal William H. O'Connell

I do wish, however, that Ed Flynn, who grew up with the class from rudiments [the beginning high school years] and was its leader in many respects, would put a few of his reminiscences in print for the sake of '81.'

William O'Connell became bishop of Portland, Maine, in 1901. In 1906,

with the venerable Archbishop John Williams of Boston in failing health, Bishop O'Connell was named Williams' coadjutor bishop with right of succession. Archbishop Williams died on August 30, 1907. Archbishop O'Connell's accession to the See of Boston came at a critical moment for Boston College. In January of 1907 Father Gasson had been named president. He had consulted Archbishop Williams and had received his approval for purchasing property and constructing buildings for a new campus for the College. The plan now had to be resubmitted to Archbishop O'Connell. O'Connell gave the project his blessing and enthusiastically endorsed the Chestnut Hill site for the campus.

At some point after the Chestnut Hill property was purchased, the archbishop evidently became alarmed at the style and scope of what Father Gasson was planning. Perhaps the stunning plan submitted by architects Charles Maginnis and Timothy Walsh for nineteen buildings on what is now the central campus seemed too ambitious. The archbishop, however, was concerned not only about cost and grandeur but also about the authority of the archbishop vis á vis a Catholic university. In June 1910, just a few weeks after the first masonry work began on the tower building, the archbishop wrote Father Gasson what this reader deems a very tough letter devoted mostly to what he considered necessary limits to fund raising (and the prelate had legitimate concerns here), but with a brief but trenchant paragraph on his role as head of a Catholic university in his archdiocese. He seemed to feel that this role was agreed to by the provincial and Father Gasson—evidently at the 1907 meeting when he approved the acquisition of the Chestnut Hill property. He believed it was agreed “that when the time came for the erection of a Catholic University in these parts, the Archbishop, consulting with Rome, should be the head and director of such University, and that it should not be merely a growth of the present organization of Boston College.” The letter demanded a document of agreement signed by Jesuit authorities. The archbishop may have slept on the letter or sought advice, because he added in a postscript: “I wish to add here that I have no intention of infringing upon any particular privileges or the Consitution of your order.”

Although the archbishop never received the document he demanded, he seems never to have pressed the notion that he should head the local Catholic university. When by introducing graduate education and the Law School in the 1920s, the college moved toward university status, he made no objection. He was generous in supporting the 1920-1921 public drive for Devlin Hall and, of course, in 1941—the sixtieth anniversary of his graduation from Boston College—he purchased the Liggett Estate (the present upper campus) for his alma mater.

In the 1930s and 1940s Cardinal O'Connell often took an afternoon stroll on Linden Lane, usually accompanied by his secretary, Monsignor Jeremiah Minihan, and sometimes by his standard poodle. Minihan, who had been a football star at Georgetown, would look for a Jesuit scholastic (that is, a Jesuit

in training for the priesthood getting his first teaching experience at the College) during the fall walks. If successful in spotting one, he would commandeer the scholastic to walk with the cardinal while he went to the stadium to watch football practice. The patrician Cardinal O'Connell, though amiable and generous to the College in the last three decades of his life, was somewhat remote compared with his successor, Richard Cardinal Cushing.

Richard Cushing had attended Boston College High School and entered Boston College in 1913 with the first class on the Chestnut Hill campus. He completed two years and entered St. John's Seminary in 1915. Cushing became auxiliary bishop of Boston in 1939 and in 1944 succeeded Cardinal O'Connell as archbishop of Boston. It was not long before Archbishop Cushing had a significant impact on Boston College. He was anxious to establish a collegiate program for Catholic nurses. Advised by professionals in the field that it would be well to locate such an enterprise at a university, he happily approached Boston College about founding the School of Nursing, which opened in 1947. Located off campus in downtown Boston for twelve years, the School of Nursing moved into its current campus building in 1959, funded by a gift of \$1 million from Cardinal Cushing. Apart from Gasson Hall, no building on campus wears its name with more pride than Cushing Hall. But the School of Nursing was not the only school closely associated with Cushing. He was an annual visitor to the School of Education in the 1950s, persuaded by the gracious director of student teaching, Marie Gearan, to give an inspirational talk on the teaching profession each year to the assembled student body. It was a function the archbishop obviously relished. In 1946 the Alumni Association presented the William V. McKenney award to Archbishop Cushing.

A storied fund-raiser, benefactor of Catholic organizations and causes worldwide, promoter of harmony between Christians and Jews, a power in the pulpit, and one hundred percent priest of the people until the day he died, Cardinal Cushing will always be a towering figure in the history of Boston, of the Catholic church in Boston, and of Boston College.

Boston College's third cardinal to date is John J. Wright, who entered the College from Boston Latin School and graduated in 1931. He excelled in academics, but his special fame was as the outstanding debater in the history of Boston College—a reputation that has not been challenged to the present time, more than 60 years after his graduation. Wright debated in what may be called the golden age of Boston College debating. Among many outstanding Fultonians, Wright was the star, not as orator but as an intimidating logician with quick wit. In his senior year, a Fulton team composed of Wright and two others was scheduled to debate New York University on the affirmative side of the proposition that the 18th amendment should be repealed. Because of inclement weather, the NYU team did not arrive. Rather than disappoint the audience gathered in the assembly room in Gasson Hall, debate officials drafted a senior from the audience to join Wright in taking the NYU “anti-



Cardinal Richard J. Cushing with Father Michael P. Walsh, S.J., president, and classics professor Joseph P. Maguire breaking ground for Carney Hall in 1963.

saloon” position against a two-man Fulton team. In a quick-switch tour de force, Wright carried his game partner—and the day. Besides winning the Fulton medal, Wright was valedictorian at his commencement.

After a year at St. John’s Seminary, John Wright did his theological studies in Rome, where he was ordained. He earned a doctorate in theology at the Jesuit Gregorian University. He served as secretary to both Cardinal O’Connell and Archbishop Cushing and, at age 36, was named auxiliary bishop of Boston in 1947. Five years later he became the first bishop of the new Worcester diocese. In 1959 Wright became bishop of Pittsburgh. Ten years later Pope Paul VI named him a cardinal and placed him at the head of the Vatican Congregation for the Clergy.

Cardinal Wright remained close to Boston College and, like other older alumni, he was concerned about his alma mater’s share in the unrest and turbulence that swept American campuses in the 1960s and 1970s. Not long

into the presidency of Father Monan, the senior vice president and dean of faculties received a call one afternoon from the switchboard at St. Mary's Hall saying that Cardinal Wright was there and would see Father Monan in the vice president's office. That seemed like a bit of Roman protocol to let the cardinal meet the president on "neutral" ground. The cardinal and the president met in the Hopkins House office, with the vice president waiting in the outer office. During the lengthy meeting, there was some anxiety outside of the office, but apparently none inside. When the office door finally opened, the cardinal emerged, his left arm draped around Father Monan's shoulders. As they left the building, a relieved vice president reflected that with all the examinations Father Monan had faced in his Jesuit course of studies and for his Ph.D. in philosophy at the University of Louvain, he had just passed his toughest ecclesiastical test, as the saying goes, with flying colors!

Boston College is proud that before he was called to Rome as cardinal, Bishop Wright was known as perhaps the leading intellectual in the American church. As such he became episcopal adviser to such groups of Catholic academics and intellectuals as the American Graduate and Professional Commission (*Pax Romana*); the Albertus Magnus Guild, an organization of scientists; and the Catholic Renaissance Society, a group devoted to letters and the arts. In 1952 Bishop Wright received the Alumni Association's McKenney Award.

Including Cardinals Cushing and Wright, eleven Boston College men have served as auxiliary bishops of Boston. The first was Bishop Joseph Anderson of the class of 1887. He became Archbishop O'Connell's auxiliary in 1909. In the spring of 1913, when the archbishop was in Rome, Bishop Anderson blessed the cornerstone of Gasson Hall on June 15 and three days later presided at the first commencement held on the Chestnut Hill campus. He was pastor of St. Peter's Parish in Dorchester.

Louis F. Kelleher was valedictorian of the class of 1910. He did his theological studies in Rome and was awarded the degree of Doctor of Divinity. For seventeen years he taught dogmatic theology at St. John's Seminary. He was consecrated auxiliary to Archbishop Cushing in 1945 and died a year and a half later at age 57. In his latter years he was pastor of St. Catherine's Parish in Somerville.

Bishop Eric MacKenzie graduated from Boston College in 1914. He was a senior and Richard Cushing, the future cardinal, a freshman in Boston College's first year on the Chestnut Hill campus. After ordination, MacKenzie did graduate study at Catholic University in canon law and dogma. For nearly a quarter of a century he taught moral theology and canon law at St. John's Seminary. He was consecrated Archbishop Cushing's auxiliary in 1950. Bishop MacKenzie served for 25 years as pastor of Sacred Heart Parish in Newton Center.

Bishop Thomas J. Riley of the class of 1922 studied at St. John's Seminary and, after ordination, earned a Ph.D. at the University of Louvain. He taught



Bishop John J. Wright with Boston College librarian Terence L. Connolly, S.J.

philosophy and moral theology at St. John's for eleven years, then served as vice rector and rector of the seminary. In 1959 the then Monsignor Riley became auxiliary bishop of Boston. During his years at the seminary and as bishop he contributed to the diocesan paper, *The Pilot*, a commentary on moral issues and problems under the title, "Theology for Everyman." A dozen other diocesan papers in the United States and Canada carried the column. Bishop

Riley was pastor of St. Peter's Parish in Cambridge. Boston College conferred the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws upon Monsignor Riley in 1952.

Another Riley, who left Boston College a decade and a half after the first Bishop Riley, was Lawrence J. Riley. He won the Fulton prize debate and graduated *summa cum laude* in the class of 1936. He studied theology at St. John's and in Rome and, after ordination, earned a doctorate in theology at the Catholic University of America. For sixteen years he was associated with St. John's Seminary, eight years as professor of theology and eight years as vice rector and rector. For a time he was chaplain of the Harvard University Catholic Club and served as secretary to Archbishop Cushing. He was pastor of the Most Precious Blood Parish in Hyde Park and was consecrated auxiliary bishop of the archdiocese in 1972. Now retired, Bishop Riley remains a faithful and visible son of alma mater, notably supportive of Boston College families in times of loss and grief. Bishop Riley received the Alumni Association's McKenney Award in 1978.

Continuing its record of producing a man destined to be an auxiliary bishop of Boston each decade, Boston College graduated Joseph F. Maguire in the class of 1941. While at college, Maguire was a member of the hockey and baseball teams. Monsignor Maguire served as secretary to Archbishop Cushing and was pastor of St. John's Parish in Quincy. He was ordained auxiliary bishop in 1972, in the same ceremony in which his fellow alumnus Lawrence Riley was raised to the episcopacy. In 1976 Bishop Maguire was appointed co-adjutor bishop of Springfield, and was installed as bishop of Springfield in November 1977. Boston College conferred an honorary Doctor of Laws degree on Bishop Maguire and awarded him a Bicentennial R  le Medal in 1976. Bishop Maguire retired in 1991. He has been an active alumnus and a close friend of many Boston College Jesuits.

Thomas V. Daily entered Boston College during World War II in September 1944, as a member of the Boston College class of 1948. When he had completed his freshman year and the first semester of his sophomore year, he transferred to St. John's Seminary. After serving in St. Ann's Parish in the Wollaston section of Quincy, he became secretary to Archbishop Medeiros and later chancellor of the archdiocese. In 1975 he was ordained auxiliary bishop, and the following year he was named vicar general of the archdiocese. Upon the death of Cardinal Medeiros, he became administrator of the archdiocese and, after the accession of Bernard Law as archbishop of Boston, he was installed as bishop of the new Diocese of Palm Beach in 1984. In 1990 he was named bishop of the Diocese of Brooklyn.

Bishop Daniel Hart is the only Boston priest to earn an undergraduate degree at Boston College after his ordination. Ordained in 1953, he attended the then College of Business Administration, earning the B.S. in Business Administration in 1956. He became vice chancellor of the archdiocese in 1964 and was consecrated auxiliary bishop to Cardinal Medeiros in 1976. Bishop Hart



Auxiliary Bishop Emeritus Lawrence J. Riley

received the Alumni Association's Award of Excellence in Religion in 1979.

Bishop John Boles takes care of the decade of the sixties for Boston College priest alumni becoming auxiliary bishops: In 1965 he earned the D.Ed. degree. Father Boles' priestly career has been close to education. Shortly after ordination

in 1955 he joined the faculty of St. Sebastian's Country Day School. While there he earned an M.Ed. degree at Boston College in 1959. He became headmaster of St. Sebastian's and later was named vicar of education for the archdiocese by Cardinal Medeiros. In 1976 Boston College awarded him a Bicentennial Rôle Medal. As pastor of St. Paul's Parish in Cambridge for 18 years, Father Boles supported, and eventually provided, new quarters for the Harvard-Radcliffe Catholic Center and the Archdiocesan Choir School. Consecrated bishop by Cardinal Law in 1992, Bishop Boles has responsibility for the central region of the archdiocese.

Several Boston College men became bishops elsewhere without first being auxiliary bishops of Boston. In terms of his Boston College connection, the first was Bishop James Anthony Walsh, M.M., who attended the College from 1882 to 1885. He entered St. John's Seminary and was ordained for the Archdiocese of Boston in 1892. While associated with the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, he became deeply committed to foreign missions, and in 1911 he co-founded the Catholic Foreign Missionary Society of America, (better known as the Maryknoll Fathers). He was consecrated a bishop in Rome in 1933. Bishop Walsh has another intimate connection with Boston College. His brother Timothy was a partner in the architectural firm of Maginnis and Walsh, the team that designed Boston College's early Chestnut Hill buildings. Indeed, in 1911 when Father James Walsh was laying the foundations of a uniquely American religious congregation, his brother Timothy was anxiously supervising the construction of the magnificent first building of the new campus.

A man who attended Boston College during the same decade as Bishop Walsh, John B. Delaney of the class of 1887 became bishop of Manchester, New Hampshire, in 1904. Also going north of Boston was Edward F. Ryan of the class of 1901. Father Ryan served in the Boston archdiocese for four decades, completing the great Holy Name Church in West Roxbury. In 1945 he was consecrated bishop of Burlington, Vermont.

In 1946 Father Paul F. Anderson, who attended Boston College 1937-1939, was one of five Boston priests "loaned" by Archbishop Cushing to the diocese of Sioux Falls, South Dakota. In Father Anderson's case, the loan became a permanent assignment. After serving as pastor in the Sioux Falls diocese for 22 years, he was consecrated co-adjutor bishop of Duluth, Minnesota, in 1968, and he became bishop of the diocese in 1969.

It has been noted that four of Boston's auxiliary bishops—Louis Kelleher, Thomas Riley, Eric MacKenzie, and Lawrence Riley—were members of the faculty of St. John's Seminary, as indeed was Cardinal Wright for five years. The two Bishops Riley also served as rectors at the seminary. So many Boston College men shared the honor and responsibility of being seminary professors that, for this one category of priestly service, an attempt has been made to give a complete list, from the first in 1897 to current members of the seminary faculty (see opposite page).

<i>Name and B.C. Class</i>	<i>Years at Seminary</i>
Joseph V. Tracy, 1882	1898-1903
George V. Leahy, 1889	1897-1927
Charles A. Finn, 1899	1913-1933
Edward F. Crowley, 1900	1907-1918
Patrick J. Waters, '03	1911-1932
Joseph A. Murphy, '06	1913-1928
Louis P. Kelleher, '10	1918-1935
Eric F. MacKenzie, '14	1919-1942
*Charles D. McInnis, ex '16	1927-1941
Walter J. Furlong, '21	1928-1940
Thomas J. Riley, '22	1933-1958
Matthew P. Stapleton, '26	1934-1965
Arthur J. Riley, '26	1937-1947
J. Joseph Ryan, '27	1940-1978
Timothy P. O'Connell, ex '29	1936-1950
Francis S. Shea, '28	1934-1950
John J. Wright, '31	1938-1943
Francis X. Meehan, '31	1941-1964
Daniel T. McColgan, '32	1941-1953
John T. Feeney, ex '31	1941-1953
Lawrence J. Riley, '36	1944-1966
Alfonso G. Palladino, '39 M.A.	1953-1969
William A. Granville, ex '40	1950-1969
James F. Redding, ex '38	1955-1960
John W. Connor, '41	1956-1971
John A. Broderick, ex '41	1947-1961/1969-1971
John J. Connolly, '44	1958-1990
Joseph Smyth, '49	1965-1990
Joseph G. Lind, '50	1969-1989
James J. Haddad, '52	1967-1977
Paul F. Donelin, 53 M.A.	1949-1953
James A. O'Donohoe, ex '43	1954-1979
Francis V. Strahan, ex '55	1965-1983
Arthur J. Driscoll, '56 M.S.	1958-1976
Thomas J. Daly, '57 M.A.	1953-1983
Martin Connor, '58	1977-present
Walter Edyvean, '60	1971-1990
John P. Galvin, ex '63	1970-1987
Walter J. Woods, ex '65, '69 M.Ed.	1976-present
John E. Farrell, '66 M.A.	1963-1988
John L. Sullivan, '70	1980-present
George P. Evans, '73	1985-present

* The designation "ex" means that he attended Boston College, but left before his class graduated in the year given.



Monsignor Charles A. Finn

This academic apostolate of Boston College alumni teaching the future priests of the archdiocese is surely one of the proud boasts of alma mater. Several of this honored group deserve special comment.

Long the best-known priest alumnus of Boston College was Monsignor Charles A. Finn, who lived to the great age of 104. A graduate of the College in 1899, he not only taught at St. John's but served as rector for five years. He had been pastor of Holy Name Parish in West Roxbury for 23 years when he retired at age 81 in 1977. At that time he had ahead of him 23 years of lively retirement. Since mention will be made later of Boston College priests who were brothers, note is made here of Father Charles Finn's younger brother Aloysius, class of 1911. Monsignor Aloysius Finn, retired pastor of St. John the Evangelist Parish in Winthrop, died a year before Charles at age 94. Boston College conferred an honorary Doctor of Laws degree on Monsignor Charles Finn in 1939.

Few Boston College priests have had a greater identification with St. John's Seminary than Monsignor Matthew Stapleton of the class of 1926. By far the



Monsignor Matthew P. Stapleton

greater part of Monsignor Stapleton's active priestly career, 31 years, was spent at St. John's where, besides being a professor, he served for 14 years as vice rector and seven years as rector. He was an outstanding biblical scholar and teacher and served as president of the Catholic Biblical Association of America. When he left the seminary staff, Monsignor Stapleton served as pastor of St. Columbkille's Parish in Brighton. In his latter years, his cheerful presence at Father Monan's annual luncheons for priest alumni was a welcome benediction. Alma mater conferred on him an honorary Doctor of Laws degree in 1960.

Arthur J. Riley was a classmate of Matthew Stapleton at Boston College. After ordination, Father Riley earned a doctorate in history at Catholic University. He published *Catholicism in New England to 1788*, a meticulously researched volume that contained a remarkable list of books, both anti-Catholic and—surprisingly—Catholic, found in libraries of Colonial Protestant leaders. In 1944 he published *Anti-Semitism* and later co-authored *The History of St. John's Seminary*. He taught history for ten years at the seminary and, as a monsignor, was pastor of Our Lady of Good Counsel Parish in Quincy.



Monsignor J. Joseph Ryan

Monsignor J. Joseph Ryan of the class of 1927 was one of the most distinguished scholars and long-serving faculty members of St. John's Seminary, having been a professor of ecclesiastical history for more than 40 years. After theological studies at St. John's and the Gregorian University, Father Ryan attended the Pontifical Institute of Medieval Studies in Toronto. An active writer, he contributed articles to *The Catholic Historical Review*, *The Irish Monthly*, *The Encyclopedia Britannica*, and the *Catholic Encyclopedia*, as well as to *The Pilot*. It is estimated that Monsignor Ryan taught over a thousand priests during his career at the seminary, where he served as vice rector for thirteen years.

In celebrating its centennial year in 1963, Boston College declared Monsignor Ryan an honorary doctor of humane letters. In 1976, as part of the University's celebration of the country's bicentennial, the History Department conferred the Boston College R  le medal on Monsignor Ryan for his scholarly achievements and his prized courses in the Graduate School.

Daniel T. McColgan graduated *summa cum laude* in the class of 1932. After

ordination, Father McColgan earned a Ph.D. at the Catholic University in the fields of sociology and social work. For twelve years he taught at the seminary, and he also taught at Regis College. In 1953 he became head of Nazareth, the former center for children in Jamaica Plain. That year he also became a monsignor. Monsignor McColgan published a two-volume history of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul.

Father John J. Connelly of the class of 1944 attended St. John's Seminary and earned a doctorate at the Gregorian University. In 1958 he began a career as seminary professor that spanned three decades and two years, teaching fundamental theology and theological anthropology. He is now pastor of the Sacred Heart Parish in Newton.

Father Thomas J. Daly is an alumnus by virtue of his master's degree in French literature, earned in 1957 under the tutelage of Father J. D. Gauthier, S.J. He had a distinguished career of 38 years in what may be called the seminary system. He joined the former Cardinal O'Connell Seminary in Jamaica Plain in 1953 and remained there until 1970, when St. John's consolidated its efforts on the Brighton campus. He continued as a member of the seminary faculty until 1991, serving as rector for the last five years. He currently is executive director of the Synod of the Archdiocese of Boston.

Monsignor Walter Edyvean, class of 1960, did theological studies at St. John's and at the Gregorian University. After ordination and a brief stint of parish work, he returned to the Gregorian University and earned the doctorate in theology. He joined the faculty of St. John's Seminary in 1971 and remained there for 19 years, teaching courses in sacramental theology and in the history of medieval theology, as well as the thought of Pope Paul VI. Since 1990 Monsignor Edyvean has been in Rome, serving in the Vatican's Congregation for Catholic Education. In that congregation he is concerned with the universities section, which is responsible for both Catholic universities and for the ecclesiastical universities and faculties that award their degrees in the name of the Holy See.

Father John Farrell, '66 M.A.—beloved by his seminary students—taught at Cardinal O'Connell Seminary and St. John's Seminary for a quarter of a century. He is now pastor of Our Lady of the Assumption in Lynnfield.

Associated not with St. John's Seminary but with the other seminary located in the Boston archdiocese, Pope John XXIII Seminary in Weston, is Father James W. DeAdder of the class of 1951. After a few years of parish service followed by study in Rome, he was assigned in 1964 to Pope John XXIII Seminary, a national seminary for preparing men with "delayed" vocations for the priesthood. He is now in his twenty-ninth year of service there.

In the category of seminary professors, note should be made of three other Boston College priests who were professors at the Catholic University. The first was Father Edmund Shannahan of the class of 1889. Having earned the Doctor of Divinity degree, he joined the faculty of the Catholic University



Monsignor Walter Edyvean

when the institution was in its infancy. He was followed by Father John Creagh of the class of 1891. Creagh did all his theological studies in Rome, earning a doctorate in canon law. He also earned the LL.B. degree at the Catholic University. He was professor of canon law there for seven years, after which he served for 38 years as pastor of St. Aidan's Parish in Brookline. He left a distinguished canon law library to St. John's Seminary. Father Edward Dowd of the class of 1926 earned a Doctor of Divinity degree at Catholic University and taught theology there twice for a total of 18 years. Monsignor Dowd served as pastor of St. Bernard's Parish in Concord. It should also be mentioned that Father John P. Galvin (ex '63), who was on the St. John's Seminary faculty for 17 years, has been a professor of theology at Catholic University since 1987, teaching Christology as well as history and method in theology. In addition he chaired the Department of Theology from 1989 to 1992.

When we turn from priests who served as professors and/or rectors of the seminary to the great number of Boston College men who have spent their

careers in pastoral service in parishes of the archdiocese, the possibility of doing justice to them in these few pages is zero. The half hundred who can be even briefly named have not been selected as some sort of clerical elite but as representatives of the edifyingly large body of priest alumni. Some, indeed, are given personal notice because of public prominence they achieved, but most are simply typical devoted hard-working pastors of their flocks.

From one of the early classes, 1881, came Father John A. Daly. Ordained by Archbishop Williams in 1884, his first assignment was to St. Mary's Church in Waltham. After ten years he was asked to do what was common at the time: start a new parish. The parish was St. Mark's in Dorchester and Father Daly, as was also common then, remained pastor there for the rest of his long life. He died 39 years later at age 86, 63 years out of Boston College.

The class of 1891 gave the archdiocese another parish founder and builder in Monsignor Joseph P. Coppinger. After ordination, Father Coppinger was assistant at St. Joseph's Church in the West End, and in 1910 he was asked by Archbishop William O'Connell to start a parish, St. Aidan's, in Brookline. Monsignor Coppinger erected a church similar to English Gothic village churches, with low walls and high-pitched roof, the walls being of rustic stone and half-timber. Later Monsignor Coppinger served as pastor of the significant parishes of St. Augustine's in South Boston and St. Catherine of Genoa in Somerville. As part of its 75th anniversary celebration in 1938, Boston College conferred on Monsignor Coppinger the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws.

Monsignor Hugh F. Blunt attended Boston College for only one year, as a member of the class of 1896, but his exposure to the classical and literary curriculum seems to have been a stimulating experience, for he was perhaps more widely known as an author than as a pastor. After serving as assistant in three parishes, including St. Peter's in Dorchester, Monsignor Blunt was appointed pastor of St. John's in Cambridge, where he presided over a beautiful church whose architects were the designers of Boston College's early buildings (Charles D. Maginnis and Timothy Walsh). Throughout his priestly career, Monsignor Blunt was a prolific writer. In the early years of the century he contributed regularly to two venerable Catholic journals, *Donahue's Magazine* and the *Sacred Heart Review*, serving for a time as editor of the latter. He wrote more than a score of books of verse and prose, all of them on religious subjects for the edification of the Catholic reader. He served ably for 28 years as pastor of St. John's until his death in 1957 at age 80.

A native of South Boston, Father William J. Farrell graduated in the class of 1898. He had served as assistant in several parishes when the United States entered World War I. Father Farrell became a chaplain of the 102d Massachusetts Field Artillery, A.E.F., and he served with heroism. The *History of the Archdiocese of Boston* gives the following account: "The late Father William J. Farrell, on April 16, 1918, went to the aid of an American battery

in which many gunners had been killed; he carried up ammunition and helped to keep the guns going through the night; he was injured, but refused to have his wound attended to next morning until he had carried a wounded comrade, a Connecticut lad of nineteen, to a dugout dressing station. Father Farrell was officially cited for bravery on this occasion⁶. After the war Father Farrell assisted in several parishes before becoming pastor of Sacred Heart Church in Groton, the position he held when he died in 1933.

Another World War I chaplain was Monsignor Frederick J. Allchin of the class of 1900. Before and after his war service he was assistant in St. Paul's Parish, Dorchester. For nearly 25 years he was administrator and pastor of the venerable St. Mary's Parish in Charlestown. He served as director of the Archdiocesan Holy Name Society and was a diocesan consultor for ten years. He died in 1955.

Monsignor Joseph F. McGlinchey of the class of 1902 was ordained in Rome and, after an assignment as assistant priest in St. Paul's Parish in Cambridge, was named director of the Boston office of the Pontifical Society for the Propagation of the Faith. One of his assistants in that office was a youthful priest with strong missionary fervor, a fellow Boston College man: Father Richard J. Cushing, the future archbishop of Boston. Monsignor McGlinchey's younger brother Henry, who left Boston College after junior year, entered the Society of Jesus. Named by his provincial as one who would follow a missionary life, he was sent to Bombay, India, prior to his theological studies. After several fruitful years he died of pneumonia—a promising missionary career cut short. His brother Joseph published in *Catholic Missions* (the organ of the Propagation of the Faith) an account of the sociological and religious insights Henry had developed in a brief period concerning the caste system. After directing the office of the Propagation of the Faith for sixteen years, Monsignor McGlinchey became pastor of one of the oldest parishes in the archdiocese, St. Mary's in Lynn, where he served for more than 30 years. He enjoyed being a schoolman and acted as principal of both the grammar school and the high school attached to the parish. During the celebration of its 75th anniversary, Boston College conferred on Monsignor McGlinchey the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws in 1938. The monsignor died in 1959.

Monsignor Bernard S. O'Kane of the class of 1909 was the oldest diocesan priest in Boston at the time of his death in 1986 at age 99. As an undergraduate he captained the baseball and track teams and was an early member of the B.C. Hall of Fame. After service in parishes in Chelsea and Brookline, he was pastor successively of St. Bridget's in Abington, St. Pius V in Lynn, and St. Bernard's in West Newton.

Monsignor Francis A. Burke of the class of 1913 attended the Gregorian University in Rome, where he was ordained in 1918. Assigned to the chancery

⁶*History of the Archdiocese of Boston*, page 603.



Monsignor Joseph F. McGlinchey

office in Boston, he was named chancellor and secretary to Cardinal O'Connell in 1927. From 1933 until his death in 1954 he was pastor of Blessed Sacrament Parish in Jamaica Plain.

Popularly known as Driftwood Casey because of his *Pilot* column by that name, Monsignor George V. Casey (ex '16) was a familiar figure in many households not only because of the "Driftwood" column (which appeared weekly in the *Pilot* for 30 years) but also because of a column he contributed to the *Boston Herald* for six years. During World War II he served as an army chaplain in the European Theater of Operations. After the war he did graduate study at Harvard under the G.I. Bill. He was pastor of St. Brigid's Parish in Lexington from 1949 until his retirement in 1972. Boston College conferred the honorary degree of Doctor of Letters on Monsignor Casey in 1971. He died in 1983 at age 87.

A classmate of Monsignor Casey, both at Boston College and at ordination, was Monsignor Daniel J. Donovan, who was an outstanding church figure both locally and nationally. As executive secretary for the Boston unit of the Holy Name Society, he vitalized that organization and promoted a giant Holy Name parade in Boston. He was a national officer of the Catholic Church Extension Society and the Catholic Rural Life Conference. While serving at the Presentation Church in Brighton in the 1930s, he established the Presentation mile road race, which for many years was the sole warm-up for the BAA marathon. He was pastor of St. Agatha's Church in Milton at the time of his death in 1955.

Monsignor James H. Doyle of the class of 1921 was an outstanding member of the football team that in his senior year was undefeated and scored on only twice—one of the greatest records in Boston College football history. Early in his priesthood he was chaplain of a New Deal institution, the CCC (Civilian Conservation Corps). He served as director of the Catholic Charitable Bureau and was pastor of St. Patrick's Parish in Roxbury and, later, of St. Peter's in Dorchester. In 1976 the Alumni Association presented him with the Award of Excellence in Religion. Nominated by the Boston College Jesuit Community that same year, he received a Rôle medal. He was named to the Boston College Hall of Fame in 1979.

Father Francis P. Moran, class of 1928, is best remembered as editor of *The Pilot*, the venerable archdiocesan weekly. Father Moran studied for the priesthood at St. John's Seminary and at the Gregorian University in Rome. In 1941, while serving as assistant priest in St. Cecilia Parish in the Back Bay, he became assistant editor of *The Pilot* and was named editor in 1948. He resigned in 1952 because of ill health. He had been in residence at the Cathedral of the Holy Cross since 1959 at the time of his death in 1967.

Father Charles P. Glennon of the class of 1929 was an army chaplain in World War II. He received two Purple Hearts for his service and was a German prisoner of war for 10 months, gaining release when the war ended. Later he was chaplain of a Knights of Columbus Council and district director of the Holy Name Society. He had served for 16 years as pastor of Holy Ghost Parish in Whitman at the time of his death in 1985.

Father William J. Donlon ('31), a luminary in a class that contained such stars as John Wright (future cardinal) and Francis Meehan (future seminary professor), served in parishes in Methuen, Lynn, Cambridge, and Quincy before becoming pastor of Sacred Heart Parish in South Natick, a position he held for twenty-one years. In vigorous retirement, he is senior priest in residence in the parish of his pastorate. As an undergraduate, Bill Donlon was a star on the track team and eventually was inducted into the Boston College Hall of Fame. He has the honor of being chaplain and recording secretary of the Boston College Varsity Club. Few alumni can match his boundless zeal as a supporter of alma mater.

Father John E. Foley graduated from Boston College in 1933. His priestly assignments took him to, among other parishes, Holy Name in West Roxbury, St. Patrick's in Natick and Our Lady Help of Christians in Newton, and he was pastor of St. Rita's in Haverhill and St. Cecilia's in Ashland. The University is proud that so many priest alumni have been bookmen whose priestly lives have been supported and enriched by books. Father Foley went beyond bookman; he became a bibliophile. In 1985 he donated to Boston College from his ample library 20,000 volumes, most in the field of theology and spirituality. More recently he has added more than a thousand books to Burns Library's Liturgy and Life Collection, which documents and reveals Catholic culture in the first half of the twentieth century.

Father John A. Saunders of the class of 1934 served in St. Bernard's Parish, West Newton, and St. Agatha's in Milton before becoming pastor first at Saints Peter and Paul in South Boston and then St. Mary's in Waltham. Blessed with a seemingly inexhaustible store of diocesan history, he has edified his many Jesuit friends with stories of local parish life in much of the twentieth century. The author acknowledges Father Saunders' encouragement and help in this paper on Boston College men who became priests in the Archdiocese of Boston.

Monsignor John Dillon Day (ex '34) is known to all who enjoy his acquaintance as, first, a dedicated priest and, second, an ardent Boston College alumnus. There is no question about his priorities, but neither is there a question about his commitments. All but four years of his near half century of parochial assignments were spent in two parishes named for Our Lady: 19 years in St. Mary's in Lynn and 26 years in St. Mary of the Hills in Milton. He was an enthusiastic sponsor of youth activities and sports programs in his parishes, and it is not surprising that all of his athletic teams wore maroon and gold. He is the only alumnus who had not participated in athletics to be elected to membership in the Boston College Hall of Fame. Monsignor Day has been a leading supporter of Father Monan's annual luncheon for alumni priests, and those gatherings have been blessed spiritually and socially with his opening benedictions. In 1982 the Alumni Association presented Monsignor Day its Award of Excellence in Religion.

Monsignor Robert J. Sennott of the class of 1937 spent a few of his early priestly years on the faculty of St. Clement's Hall, the liberal arts division of St. John's Seminary. There followed a lengthy association with the chancery office, during which he rose to the office of vice chancellor and chancellor. In 1964 he began a 25-year pastorate in the beautiful St. Catherine of Siena Church in Norwood. In 1961 Boston College conferred on Monsignor Sennott an honorary Doctor of Laws degree.

Monsignor Francis J. Lally, ('40) was one of the most public of the Boston College priest alumni. He attended St. John's Seminary and earned a Licentiate in Social Sciences at Laval University after ordination. In 1948 he was named associate editor of *The Pilot*, while fellow alumnus Father Francis Moran



Monsignor Francis J. Lally

('28) was editor. In 1952 he succeeded Father Moran as editor, and for 20 years he gave the archdiocesan paper a quality and reputation that resembled the glory days when poet John Boyle O'Reilly headed it in the late nineteenth century. During those years Lally assumed the considerable civic responsibility of heading the Boston Redevelopment Authority in its formative period. In 1962 Little, Brown published Msgr. Lally's book, *The Catholic Church in a Changing America*. After five years as pastor of Sacred Heart Parish, Roslindale, Monsignor Lally was called to national church service in Washington as secretary of the United States Catholic Conference's Department of Social Development and World Peace. In 1984 Boston's new archbishop, Bernard Law, asked Monsignor Lally to return to Boston as rector of Holy Cross Cathedral, the position he held when he died in 1987. In 1962 Boston College conferred on Monsignor Lally the honorary degree of Doctor of Letters. In 1953 the Alumni Association presented him with the William V. McKenney award and in 1976 the University conferred on him the Bicentennial Rôle medal.

After a distinguished career as professor of classics and rector of Cardinal O'Connell Seminary for 19 years, Monsignor William A. Granville (ex '40) served as pastor of Sacred Heart Parish in Newton Centre and was the first president of the Priests' Senate. He is now senior priest in residence at St. Thomas Aquinas Parish in Bridgewater. Nominated by the College of Arts and Sciences, Monsignor Granville was awarded a Bicentennial Rôle medal in 1976.

Monsignor George V. Kerr of the class of 1941 was an academic star and an All-American member of the football team. He graduated as one of only 39 members of the honors course and took his degree *cum laude*. Salutatorian of his class at commencement, he selected the topic "Jesuit Missionaries," in honor of the fourth centenary of the founding of the Society of Jesus. He was a member of the famed Sugar Bowl team. Coach Frank Leahy said of him years later that he was the greatest scholar-athlete he ever coached. As a priest, Monsignor Kerr was a very public figure because of his 25 years of service as chaplain of the Massachusetts House of Representatives. Whether it was because of the importance of his House chaplaincy or his clean-jawed, strapping presence, Monsignor Kerr's photo was frequently in local papers. Indeed for a quarter of a century he was probably second only to Cardinal Cushing as the favorite of news photographers. Among his non-parish assignments were assistant director of the Catholic Charitable Bureau, director of the Nocturnal Adoration Society, and chaplain at the children's home, Nazareth, in Jamaica Plain. He served as administrator and pastor of St. Francis de Sales Parish in Roxbury and was pastor of St. Francis Xavier Parish in Weymouth at the time of his death in 1983.

Father James A. O'Donohoe (ex '43) did doctoral studies at Catholic University and at Louvain in preparation for a 25-year career as professor at St. John's Seminary which concluded in 1979. Fortunately for Boston College, he then began a second academic career in the theology department, where he has been a distinguished teacher and lecturer in the field of theological ethics.

Father Francis Gallagher (ex '44) served in parishes in Marlboro, Newton, and Revere before becoming pastor of St. James Parish in Medford. Father Gallagher's family has kept him closer to Boston College than most alumni. His sister Helen was Father Monan's executive secretary before marrying John Smith, the financial vice president who helped Father Monan turn the University's financial status from minus to plus, plus.

Father Stanislaus Sypek holds two degrees from Boston College: a Master of Arts in Sociology, awarded in 1946, and the M.S.W. degree from the Graduate School of Social Work two years later. Through his career he has been active among Polish Catholics, most recently as pastor of St. Adalbert's in Hyde Park. For 22 years Father Sypek was a devoted teacher of sociology in the University's Evening College of Arts and Sciences.

Father William Burckhart ('49) assisted at St. John the Evangelist Parish

in Winthrop and St. Catherine's in Norwood before becoming the first director of the Permanent Diaconate Program, a position he held for seven years. During that time he became administrator of the ancient German parish, Holy Trinity, in the South End. Since then he has been pastor of two parishes named for St. Joseph, in Medway and in Belmont.

Father Joseph Lind of the class of 1950, after twenty years of service as business manager and assistant to the rector of St. John's Seminary, is pastor of St. Paul Parish in Wellesley. The parochial vicar of the parish is another Boston College graduate, Father David Mullen ('77), who is a leader of the pro-life movement in the archdiocese.

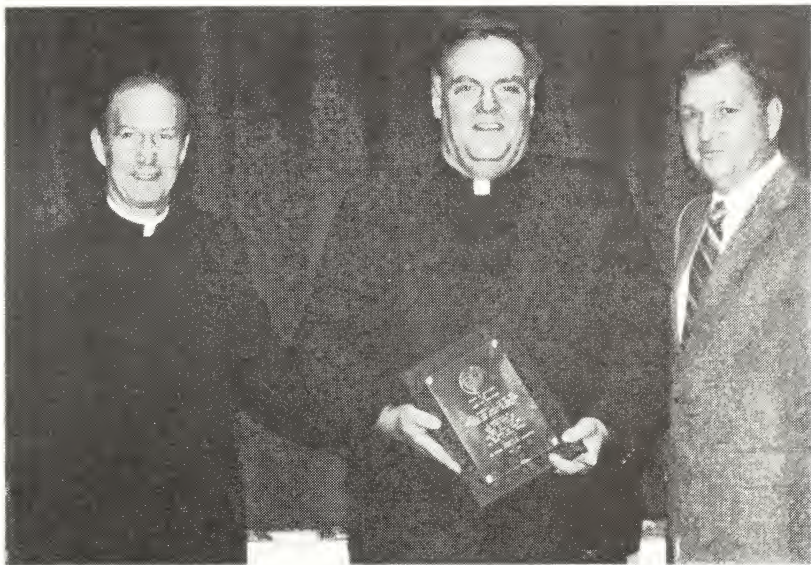
Father Francis V. Strahan (ex '55) is known far and wide as the voice of the archdiocese—the *singing* voice, that is. For close to twenty years he was professor of music at St. John's Seminary, and an inspiring but daunting model for his students. He also directed the archdiocesan papal choir. In related service he chaired the Archdiocesan Liturgical Commission. He is currently pastor of St. Bridget Parish in Framingham.

Father James Power ('56) holds three degrees from Boston College: A.B., M.Ed., and Ph.D. Besides parochial service in Revere, Plymouth, and Marblehead, he was chaplain in residence at Xaverian Brothers High School and campus minister at Salem State College. Since 1987 he has been pastor of St. Francis Parish in Dracut.

Father John E. McLaughlin ('56, '68 M.A.) served in rural parishes in Holbrook, Concord, Hanson, Abington, and Sherborn and as chaplain of Cardinal Spellman High School in Brockton before his current assignment as pastor of St. Benedict Parish in Somerville. Father McLaughlin is director of the archdiocesan Holy Name Society. He is one of the few priests in the Greater Boston area with a command of the Irish language. His brother, Francis M. McLaughlin ('54) has long been a distinguished member of the Economics Department at Boston College.

Father Carney Gavin ('59) had a spectacular academic record at Boston College and has carried that early promise into his priestly and academic career. He earned the A.B. degree in three years, was a member of the first group in the Arts and Sciences honors program, and was one of the two first Scholars of the College. He studied Greek philosophy and Roman archaeology at Oxford and completed theological studies at Innsbruck and in Germany. Ordained in 1965, he earned a Ph.D. in Near Eastern languages and civilizations at Harvard in 1973. Long associated with the Harvard Semitic Museum, he now is its executive director. A master of many languages, he delights the parishioners of St. Columbkille's Church in Brighton, where he is in residence, with his discourses in English. Father Gavin was recipient of the Alumni Award of Excellence in Religion in 1987.

Father Richard Harrington ('61, C.A.E.S. '76) has served in parishes in Needham and West Medford and been assistant director of the Office of



Reverend Carney Gavin with Reverend J. Donald Monan, S.J., president, and Richard T. Horan, alumni president, at Alumni Awards of Excellence in 1987

Religious Education and archdiocesan director of Youth Ministry. He is currently pastor of St. Mary's Parish in Randolph.

Father Robert Kennedy (ex '61) has been active in ministry to the poor in Boston. He has served in St. Catherine's in Charlestown and is currently pastor of St. Mary Star of the Sea Parish in East Boston.

Father William Mullin (ex '62) has the distinction of long service in inner-city parishes: St. Ambrose's in Dorchester, St. Philip's in Roxbury, and St. Mary's in Roxbury. He is currently associate pastor in St. John the Evangelist Parish in North Beverly.

Father Arthur A. Brown earned an M.A. in philosophy in 1965. In 1976 he received a Ph.D. in higher education. While located at St. Cecilia's Parish, he served as chaplain for college students in the Back Bay area, then as chaplain and professor of philosophy at Bentley College before becoming administrator of the venerable St. James the Greater Parish in Chinatown. He is currently pastor of the St. Catherine of Siena Parish in Norwood.

As an undergraduate, Father Robert J. Sullivan ('66) played Thomas More in *A Man for All Seasons*—a role that may have led him to the seminary, but not directly, because first he earned a Ph.D. in history at Harvard. Ordained in 1978, Father Sullivan's first assignment was at St. Catherine of Siena in Norwood. After later assignments in Malden and Belmont, he is back in the Norwood parish as parochial vicar.

Father James J. Ronan earned a M.Ed. in 1971 and a Ph.D. in higher education in 1972. He became dean of students at Bentley College and was involved in the move of the college from Boston to Waltham. He was vice president for student affairs when he entered St. John's Seminary. After ordination he served for six years in the Immaculate Conception Parish in Malden. Since 1988, as a member of the Society of St. James, he has been pastor of Parroquia de Santa Marianita in Guayaquil, Ecuador.

Father Thomas Maguire ('71) served as associate pastor in Sacred Heart Parish in Quincy, St. Mary's in Dedham, and St. Patrick's in Watertown before his present assignment as associate pastor in St. John the Evangelist in Canton. He is an uninhibited B.C. rooter. His friends predict that in time he will match the reasoned fanaticism for Boston College of such stalwarts as Fathers Bill Donlon and John Dillon Day.

Father William Schmidt (ex '72), an expert in youth ministry, served as associate pastor in the Immaculate Conception Parish in Everett and St. John the Evangelist in Swampscott before becoming secretary for pastoral services in the archdiocesan administrative cabinet.

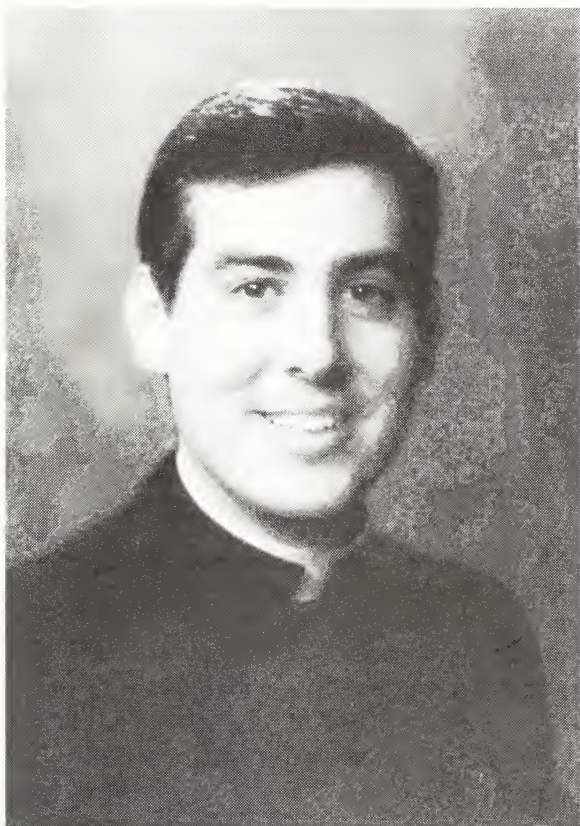
Father Peter Uglietto ('73) served for 10 years as associate pastor in St. Francis Xavier in South Weymouth and St. Gregory and St. Margaret in Dorchester. From 1990 to 1993 he was an adjunct faculty member teaching moral theology at Pope John XXIII Seminary and chaplain at Regis College. In 1990 he was awarded the S.T.L. degree in the first class graduating from the Pope John Paul II Institute in Washington, D.C., and he began doctoral studies there in September 1993.

Father Brendan Sullivan ('73) served as associate pastor of Our Lady Star of the Sea in Marblehead and St. John the Evangelist in North Chelmsford. He is currently a postulant at the Camaldolese monastery in Big Sur, California.

Father Richard M. O'Brien earned an M.A. at Boston College in 1981 when he was a Xaverian Brother. Later he entered Pope John XXIII Seminary, and was ordained in 1992. He serves as parochial vicar for St. Michael's Parish in Hudson.

Father Paul McManus ('82) was ordained in 1987. His first assignment was to St. Robert Bellarmine Parish in Andover. He currently serves with the archdiocesan missionary Society of St. James.

Father Mark O'Connell ('86) was ordained in 1990. His first assignment is as parochial vicar at St. Barbara's in Woburn. Father O'Connell will grace the annals of Boston College and of the archdiocese in his own right, but his B.C. lineage must be mentioned. He is the son of Thomas F. O'Connell, class of 1950, the distinguished university librarian who brought Boston College into the twenty-first century with the planning, construction, equipping, and staffing of the Thomas P. O'Neill, Jr. Library. Proud father of a Boston College Boston priest, the elder O'Connell gave the author the nudge—deeply appreciated—that led to this paper.



Reverend Mark O'Connell

Father Louis R. Palmieri ('87) is the most recent Boston College alumnus to join the noble ranks of the priests of the Boston archdiocese. Father Palmieri, a native of East Boston, was ordained May 22, 1993, and has been assigned to St. Ann's Parish in Peabody.

Mention should be made of two special subgroups among Boston College priests in the Boston archdiocese: outstanding college athletes and brothers who became local priests. (Some have already been mentioned in the text.) Following, first, is a list of Boston College athletes who later served the archdiocese as priests. Two of this group became bishops: Joseph Maguire and Thomas Daily. Then follows a list of priests identified as having brothers who also became priests of the archdiocese.

Boston College Athletes Who Became Priests in the Boston Archdiocese

	1896	Henry Lyons (track)
	1909	Bernard O'Kane (captain, baseball and track; B.C. Hall of Fame)
	1921	James Doyle (football; B.C. Hall of Fame)
	1928	Michael Durant (football)
	1931	William Donlon (track; B.C. Hall of Fame)
	1931	Francis Meehan (baseball)
*ex	1937	Daniel Hannigan (hockey, golf)
	1940	Charles McCarthy (football)
	1941	George Kerr (football All-American; B.C. Hall of Fame)
	1941	Edward Cowhig (football)
	1941	Joseph Maguire (hockey, baseball; B.C. Hall of Fame)
	1943	William Commene (football, baseball; B.C. Hall of Fame)
	1949	Charles J. McCoy (football)
ex	1949	Thomas Daily (football)
ex	1952	John McElroy (basketball and baseball)

Brothers Who Attended Boston College and Became Boston Priests

Henry M. Lyons 1896	George P. McColgan ex '21
William F. Lyons 1897	Daniel T. McColgan '32
Charles A. Finn 1899	Michael J. Desmond ex '21
Aloysius R. Finn 1911	Edward W. Desmond ex '25
Neil A. Cronin '06	Anthony J. Flaherty '24
James V. Cronin '10	Edward B. Flaherty '31
(Daniel Cronin, S.J.)	Walter L. Flaherty '34
Patrick J. Waters '09	Nunzio A. Carrozza ex '29
David B. Waters '11	George T. Carrozza ex '33
John J. Phelan '12	James J. McManus '29
Francis L. Phelan '13	Paul J. McManus '37
(Timothy Phelan, S.J.)	Bernard T. Rattigan ex '29
Eric F. MacKenzie '14	Paul V. Rattigan '32
Howard C. MacKenzie ex '17	John P. Redding ex '31
Patrick J. Flaherty '14	James F. Redding ex '38
Francis N. Flaherty '19	Daniel J. Crowley '58
Michael J. Norton '15	John D. Crowley '58
Arthur J. Norton '31	Richard P. Crowley '59
William B. Foley ex '20	
Thomas M. Foley ex '23	
Charles J. Foley '24	

* The designation "ex" means that he attended Boston College, but left before his class graduated in the year given.

The most recent members of the honor roll, the Crowley brothers, are all pastors: Daniel, of Star of the Sea Parish in Squantum; John, of St. Mary of the Annunciation in Cambridge; and Richard, of St. Francis of Assisi in Braintree.

In concluding this all-too-brief account of Boston College men who have served or are serving as priests in the Boston archdiocese, an apology is repeated for the small number of priests we have been able to identify personally because of space limitations. A list of all Boston College priests in the archdiocese as of July 1993 is given in an appendix.

The University is, of course, proud of all priest graduates—priests who have served in other dioceses and priests of various religious congregations—but the story of the throng of Boston College men who have given priestly service to the parishes and the Catholic people of Greater Boston deserves to stand alone as one of the treasures and boasts of Boston College.

APPENDIX

Current Priests of the Archdiocese of Boston Who Hold Degrees from or Attended Boston College

Bernard Cardinal Law, '84 Hon. S.T.D.
Archbishop of Boston

Lawrence J. Riley, '36
Auxiliary Bishop Emeritus of Boston

Joseph F. Maguire, '41
Bishop Emeritus of Springfield

Thomas V. Daily, ex '48
Bishop of Brooklyn

Daniel A. Hart, '56
Auxiliary Bishop of Boston

John P. Boles, '65 D.Ed.
Auxiliary Bishop of Boston

Abracinkas, Albert C.	'33
*Abucewicz, John A.	ex '41
Alves, Eugene L.	'54 M.A.
Alves, Joseph T.	'44, '48 M.S.W.
Anadore, Charles E.	'34
Bailey, David P.	'59
Bailey, Paul F.	'62 M.S.W.
Barrett, Daniel J.	'42, '52 M.A.
Barry, Garrett J.	ex '59
Barry, Gerard D.	ex '46
Barry, Henry F.	ex '37
Beksha, Francis W.	'42
Benoit, Raymond P.	'83
Bernatonis, John F.	ex '41
Blackwood, Wallace E.	'62, '73 M.S.W.
Blute, Robert H.	ex '51
Bonfiglio, David G.	ex '47

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Bourque, Charles J.	'68 M.A.
Bowers, Robert J.	'82
Boyle, J. Leo	ex '51
Boyle, Robert J.	ex '47, '72 M.Ed.
Brady, Richard J.	ex '53
Brennan, Gerard M.	ex '47
Broderick, James M.	'51
Broderick, John A.	ex '41
Brown, Arthur A.	'65 M.A., '76 Ph.D.
Bryson, Robert C.	ex '43
Bucke, Gerald L.	ex '39, '68 M.A.
Buckley, Frederick J.	'50 M.S.W.
Buckley, John E.	ex '54
Bullock, Robert W.	'51
Burckhart, William C.	'49
Burke, David M.	'37
Burke, John T.	'75 M.S.W.
Burke, Leonard J.	'37
Butler, James P.	'75 M.A.
Butler, Robert J.	'71, M.S.W.
Carr, Mark V.	'47
Carrigg, George A.	'61 M.S.W.
Carrigg, William J.	'51, '56 E.Ed.
Carroll, John P.	'36
Casey, Walter E.	ex '45
Cedrone, Laurence C.	ex '43
Clifford, Donald G.	'39
Cloherty, Francis J.	ex '58
Clougherty, Paul L.	ex '55
Commene, William J.	'43
Connor, John E.	'27
Connor, Martin P.	'58, '72 M.Ed.
Conroy, Francis M.	ex '59
Contons, Albert	'53 M.A.
Conway, Richard C.	ex '59
Conway, Thomas D.	ex '56
Corcoran, John W.	'59 M.Ed.
Costello, Robert B.	'48
Cowhig, Edward D.	'41
Craig, Richard J.	'69 M.S.W.
Crispo, John R.	ex '46
Crowley, Daniel J.	'58
Crowley, Francis J.	'63 M.Ed.

Crowley, John D.	'58
Crowley, Richard P.	'59
Curran, Richard G.	'73 M.A., '77 M.Ed.
Curran, Thomas M.	'84 D.Ed.
Daily, Vincent E.	'51, '54 M.A.
Daley, Joseph D.	'31
Daly, Thomas J.	'57 M.A.
Daniele, Anthony J.	'51, '63 M.A.
Day, John D.	ex '34
DeAdder, James W.	'51
Dewey, Charles F.	ex '34
DiFruscio, John A.	'64
Doherty, Henry F.	'51
Donahue, Richard T.	ex '63
Donelin, John M.	'33
Donlon, William J.	'31
Donovan, Joseph F.	'67 M.Ed.
Doocey, Michael F.	'69 M.Ed.
Dorgan, Gerard L.	'66 M.A.
Downey, Joseph J.	ex '42
Doyle, Lawrence J.	'40
Doyle, Michael J.	'81
Drennan, Lawrence J.	'53
Driscoll, Arthur J.	'56 M.S.
Driscoll, Richard A.	ex '51
Durant, Michael J.	'28
Dwyer, Thomas A.	ex '33
Edwards, John G.	'46
Edyvean, Walter J.	'60
Evans, George P.	'73
Farrell, John E.	'66 M.A.
Ferraro, Michael M.	'63
Finnegan, Thomas J., Jr.	'41
Flaherty, Edward B.	'31
Fleming, Thomas J.	'53
Flynn, Arthur C.	'73 M.Ed., '76 C.A.E.S.
Flynn, James B.	'73 M.Ed., '80 Ph.D.
Flynn, John H.	'48
Flynn, Robert G.	ex '47
Flynn, William C.	ex '42
Foley, Daniel R.	ex '32
Foley, John E.	'33

Foley, John J.	ex '45
Foley, William B.	ex '20
Gallagher, Francis L.	ex '44
Gallivan, A. Paul	'39
Garrity, Paul V.	'74 M.A.
Gaudette, Edward J.	ex '45
Gavin, Carney E.	'59
Geary, Edward P.	'59
Geegan, John J.	ex '36
Gibbons, James M.	ex '45, '55 M.Ed.
Gilmartin, Daniel J.	'56 M.Ed.
Glynn, William F.	ex '44
Gough, Joseph F.	'30
Graham, Daniel M.	'75 M.Ed.
Granville, William A.	ex '40
Guarcello, Russell V.	'39
Guerrette, William J.	'70 M.Ed.
Haddad, James J.	ex '53
Hannon, John Mark	ex '56
Harrington, James J.	'49, '67 M.Ed.
Harrington, Richard L.	'61, '76 C.A.E.S.
Hart, James P.	'35
Hart, Peter F.	'31
Hehir, J. Bryan	'85 Hon. LL.D.
Hever, John J.	'72 M.Ed.
Hobbs, Frederick J.	'29
Hogan, Cornelius J.	'32
Horrigan, Kevin P.	'62
Hyland, Charles H.	'24
Irwin, Francis X.	'70 M.S.W.
Jennings, Henry J.	'52
Jennings, John J.	ex '45
Joyce, William F.	'53
Keane, John F.	ex '59
Kearney, Philip J.	'50 M.A.
Keating, James J.	'36
Kelleher, Timothy J.	'71 M.Ed.
Kelley, Edward T.	'63
Kelly, John P.	ex '42
Kelly, Patrick J.	ex '45

Kenneally, William F.	ex '45
Kennedy, Robert R.	ex '61
Keohan, Edward M.	'54
Keohane, John J.	ex '41
Keohane, Mark H.	'24
Kirchmeyer, Robert W.	'50 M.A.
Koen, Stephen A.	ex '54, '60 M.Ed.
LaRaia, Joseph P.	'75 Ph.D.
Larner, James M.	'52
Laurano, Anthony J.	ex '45
Lawler, John F.	ex '42
Lawler, John T.	'39
LeBlanc, Francis R.	'88 M.A.
Leonard, Francis B.	ex '46
Lind, Joseph G.	'50
Linehan, William J.	'31
Lombard, Samuel J.	'42
Loscocco, Angelo P.	'48
Lucey, William F.	'70 M.A.
Lucid, Vincent F.	ex '39
Lukas, Joseph S.	ex '43
Lyons, John P.	'50
Lyons, Joseph W.	'27
MacDonald, Paul V.	'54
Maguire, John J.	'36
Maguire, Thomas H.	'71, '72 M.Ed.
Mahoney, James F.	ex '42
Mahoney, John P.	'56 M.Ed.
Mahoney, Joseph P.	'29
Martocchio, Peter T.	'52
Mawn, Francis X.	'76 M.S.W.
McAndrews, Walter J.	'39
McAuliffe, Robert J.	'52
McCarthy, Charles W.	'40
McConville, Philip G.	'39, '47 M.A.
McCormack, John B.	'69 M.S.W.
McCormick, John J.	ex '52
McCoy, Charles J.	'49
McDonough, Edward A.	ex '21
McGann, Gerard J.	ex '45
McGowan, Fredrick R.	ex '45
McGowan, James J.	ex '57

McLaughlin, John A.	'38, '41 M.A.
McLaughlin, John E.	'57, '68 M.A.
McMahon, Edward M.	'57
McManus, Paul G.	'82
McNamara, Eugene P.	'65 M.S.W.
McNeill, Robert W.	'43
McNulty, Joseph P.	'39
McPartland, Paul G.	ex '53
McQuade, Richard E.	ex '53
Meehan, Francis X.	'31
Minigan, Frederick J.	'32
Mooney, Thomas J.	ex '44
Moran, Daniel F.	'43
Morgan, Thomas B.	ex '51
Moriarty, Thomas W.	'37
Motherway, Thomas F.	'64
Moynihan, Paul V.	'47, '59 M.A.
Mulkern, John F.	'40
Mullen, David J.	'77
Mullin, William H.	ex '61
Murphy, David C.	'70 M.A.
Murphy, Frederick J.	'62 M.A.
Murphy, Kenneth B.	ex '42
Murphy, Timothy J.	ex '59
Murray, Frederick J.	ex '49
Murray, Thomas F.	'52
Naughton, Thomas J.	ex '56
Navién, Thomas A.	'36
Noonan, William J.	ex '34
O'Brien, Richard M.	'81 M.A.
O'Connell, Edward T.	'31
O'Connell, Mark	'86
O'Donohoe, James A.	ex '43
O'Grady, Robert M.	'81 M.Ed.
O'Hara, Peter J.	'67 M.S.W.
O'Leary, Arthur P.	'56 M.Ed.
O'Neill, Christopher C.	'28
O'Regan, Hugh H.	ex '52
O'Sullivan, Francis G.	'64 M.S.W.
Palladino, Alphonso G.	'39 M.A.
Palmieri, Louis R.	'87

Pearsall, Ernest P.	'31
Philbin, John J.	'40
Phinn, Gilbert S.	ex '50
Pitaro, Mimie B.	ex '38
Power, James F.	'56, '70 M.Ed., '83 Ph.D.
Powers, Thomas F.	ex '62
Publicover, James L.	ex '52
Ready, Francis P.	'42
Regan, John J.	'35
Regan, Michael J.	'71 M.Ed.
Riley, James H.	'53
Roche, Allan E.	'40
Roche, William H.	'44
Rogers, James M.	'41
Ronan, James J.	'71 M.Ed., '72 Ph.D.
Rowan, John M.	'71, '73 M.Ed., '77 C.A.E.S.
Ryan, Paul T.	'53
Rynne, Paul P.	ex '52
Saja, Thaddeus A.	ex '43
Santerre, Richard R.	'66, '68 M.A., '72 Ph.D.
Saulenas, Simeon W.	ex '41
Saunders, John A.	'34
Scorzello, Joseph F. Jr.	'78 M.A.
Sennott, Robert J.	'37, '61 Hon. LL.D.
Sexton, Francis J.	'38
Sheehan, John J.	ex '34
Sheehy, Charles I.	'40
Smyth, Joseph P.	'49
Stankard, Albert H.	ex '55
Stocklosa, J. Walter	'44 M.A.
Strahan, Francis V.	ex '55
Sullivan, Brendan J.	'73
Sullivan, Eugene P.	'57, '81 D.Ed.
Sullivan, Gary S.	'84 M.S.W.
Sullivan, John L.	'70
Sullivan, Michael D.	'38
Sullivan, Robert J.	'66
Sullivan, Timothy E.	'31
Sullivan, William P.	'34
Surette, C. Melvin	'73 M.A.
Svirskas, Joseph J.	ex '47
Sypek, Stanislaus	'46 M.A., '48 M.S.W.

Taglino, John L.	'35
Thomas, John E.	ex '45
Tolland, Cyril E.	ex '41
Turke, Francis X.	ex '45
Uglietto, Peter J.	'73
Vasaturo, Anthony J.	ex '51
Veneto, Joseph P.	'42
Waldron, Robert J.	'53
Walsh, John F.	'76 M.A.T.
Ward, Robert A., Jr.	'68
Wasnewski, Richard P.	'49
Weber, Charles P.	'71
Whelan, Thomas J.	'76, '81 M.A.
White, A. Paul	'54
Wilson, Joseph C.	'52
Wolkovich, William L.	'80 M.A.
Woods, Walter J.	ex '65, '69 M.Ed.
Zuromskis, John D.	'36

